

Newport and Gwent Philatelic Society

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Members

It was with great sadness that we heard the news of John Perry's passing on 31 August 2018. John joined Newport Philatelic in 1984 and celebrated his 30th year as Secretary in 2017. He is greatly missed.



During the year we welcomed 2 new members, Ron Heath and Derek Nash.

Meetings

The final meeting of 2018 was a Christmas Social and members were encouraged to display something Christmas related. To add to the fun members were asked to pick their favourite display and a prize was given to Lynne Davies for his US Christmas Postcards.



2019 opened with a good show of displays starting with the letter G - Gum, Germany, Grebes, GB Leonardo da Vinci, Monmouthshire post offices, Greenland, GB Gold Replicas, German Channel Isles, Gibraltar and Geology/Gold.

Roy Bentley treated us to a display on the Gilbert and Ellis Islands for Chairman's evening.

The Club Competition had 7 entries - Alistair MacKinnon, John Perry, Robert Agg, John Perry, Neil Jones, Roy Bentley and Erene Grieve.

Ladies night saw 3 displays from Margaret Harding (Bank Perfins), Erene Grieve (Advertising Covers) and Bev Davies (Tibor Reich).

The Bring/Buy/Swap, Auction and Roy Hollis Dealer evenings all proved very popular (especially Roy's bargain boxes).

For the Summer meetings, John Perry took us on a tour of Scandinavia,



and Neil Jones displayed from his extensive New Zealand collection.



The Autumn programme included displays for the letter H, another Bring/Buy/Swap evening, 4-page displays from members and another Christmas Social (won once again by Lynne Davies). Martyn Britton also took over an evening to display a vast and interesting amount of material from his Fiji collection.

Visits

Over the year we hosted visits from Cardiff, Bridgend, Bristol, Thornbury and Barry clubs, with a huge variety of displays including Cars, Nelson, Boer War, Re-used Envelopes, Postage Rate Postcards, Anthony Theobald and Omnibus Editions.

Our club paid reciprocal visits to these clubs, usually with 3/4 members.

Juniors

Bev Davies continues to run the Dell Primary School stamp club, which meets weekly with around 12 members.

This year Erne Grieve visited 2 primary schools with her Stamps in Schools workshops – her regular visit to The Dell and her first visit to Rogiet.

South Wales Federation

5 entries from Newport members were submitted to the Federation Competition in May 2018, with winning entries for Neil Jones (General Philatelic) and Erne Grieve (Thematic).

Newport hosted another successful Autumn Fair in September, with a good selection of dealers/clubs attracting around 90 collectors from around South Wales and beyond.

